OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBER FOR KOLAR GOLD FIELDS AREA FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1945.

A Fall of Two points.

The cost of Living Index for working classes in the Kolar Gold Fields Area for the month of September 1945, works up to 219·9 showing a fall of 2·2 points from the previous month's figure. As compared with the figures of the previous month, the Food Index declined by 1·3 points to 248·9 due to a fall in the prices of Avaredhal, Onions, Ghee, Gingelly oil, Tamarind, and Garlic.

The Index Number for the fuel and lighting group advanced by 1·5 point to 227·1 as a result of an increase in the price of castor oil.

A reduction in the price of Coating, Shirting and Saries resulted in a fall of the Index Number for Clothing group by 14·9 points to 171·3.

The Index Numbers for House Rent and Miscellaneous groups remained stationary. (Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100).

Name of the Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	August 1945	September 1945	Index Numbers: August 1945	September 1945
Food—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Raw Rice	...Seer measure	3·5	0 2 0	0 4 7	0 4 7	229	229
Boiled Rice	... ,,	36·9	0 2 1	0 4 7	0 4 7	220	220
Ragi	... ,,	11·1	0 0 11	0 2 8	0 2 8	291	291
Blackgram Dhal	... ,,	0·4	0 2 11	0 9 0	0 10 8	308	366
Tur Dhal	... ,,	4·2	0 2 8	0 7 7	0 7 10	284	294
Bengalgram Dhal	... ,,	0·8	0 1 11	0 9 1	0 9 6	474	496
Avare Dhal	... ,,	0·6	0 2 1	0 7 2	0 7 0	344	336
Greengram	... ,,	0·6	0 1 11	0 7 9	0 8 0	404	417
Sugar	... Seer wt.	0·5	0 1 4	0 2 3	0 2 3	169	169
Jaggery	... Viss	2·8	0 3 3	0 7 7	0 8 1	233	249
Coffee seeds	... Seer wt.	1·8	0 4 0	0 10 0	0 10 11	271	273
Fish	... ,,	2·1	0 3 6	0 7 0	0 7 0	200	200
Meat	... 2 lbs.	9·0	0 8 0	1 8 0	1 8 0	300	300
Milk	...Seer measure	2·8	0 3 3	0 4 0	0 4 0	123	123
Curds	... ,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	100	100
Onions	... Viss	0·8	0 1 4	0 7 9	0 4 1	581	306
Ghee	... Seer wt.	1·1	0 6 0	0 10 7	0 10 0	176	167
Gingelly oil	... ,,	3·2	0 2 0	0 5 8	0 5 7	283	279
Cocoanut	... Each	0·8	0 1 2	0 2 1	0 2 3	179	193
Groundnut oil	... Seer wt.	0·6	0 1 7	0 3 9	0 3 11	237	247
Salt	...Seer measure	1·3	0 1 2	0 2 1	0 2 3	179	193
Chillies	... Viss	4·0	0 7 8	2 6 1	2 6 5	417	501
Tamarind	... ,,	1·4	0 2 7	0 6 1	0 4 11	179	190
Coriander	...Seer measure	1·2	0 1 4	0 7 11	0 8 0	594	600
Garlic	... Seer wt.	0·6	0 2 0	0 6 7	0 4 2	329	208
Soji	...	0·3	0 1 2	0 1 2	0 1 2	100	100
Vegetables	...	3·8	0 12 4	0 12 4	0 12 4	100	100
Ready made coffee	...	3·2	0 12 3	0 12 3	0 12 3	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number of all food articles		...	...	...	...	250·2	248·9
Fuel and Lighting.—							
Firewood	... Maund	75·1	0 2 0	0 4 7	0 4 7	229	229
Castor Oil	... Seer	7·8	0 2 3	0 7 3	0 7 10	322	248
Kerosene Oil	... Bottle	12·1	0 2 3	0 3 9	0 3 8	167	163
Matches	... Box of 40 sticks	5·0	0 0 5	0 0 5	0 0 5	167	167
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index No.—Fuel and Lighting	...	...	...	...	...	225·6	227·1

Name of the Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	August 1945	September 1945	Index Numbers: August 1945	September 1945
Clothing—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Dhoties	... Pair of 8 yds.	9·3	2 1 0	4 7 2	4 7 2	216	216
Cloth for Pyjama	Yard	1·7	0 4 4	0 10 7	0 10 7	244	244
Coating	.... ,,	20·4	0 6 5	0 14 0	0 11 2	218	174
Shirting	... ,,	14·7	0 5 0	0 8 2	0 7 9	163	155
Sarees	... Each	39·4	3 3 0	5 4 0	4 11 0	165	147
Cloth for Jackets, etc.	Yard	14·5	0 5 3	0 10 4	0 11 2	197	213
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number of clothing	...	...	...	...	...	186·2	171·3
House rent	... ...	100·0	0 10 9	0 10 9	0 10 9	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number for House rent	...	...	...	...	...	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous—							
Barber	... ...	14·5	0 9 1	0 9 1	0 9 1	100	100
Soap for washing	... ...	20·0	0 12 6	0 12 6	0 12 6	100	100
Soapnut powder	... ...	5·2	0 3 3	0 3 3	0 3 3	100	100
Supari	... ...	14·1	0 8 10	0 8 10	0 8 10	100	100
Beedies	... ...	15·7	0 9 10	0 9 10	0 9 10	100	100
Travelling expenses	...	6·7	0 4 2	0 4 2	0 4 2	100	100
Flowers	... ...	3·9	0 2 5	0 2 5	0 2 5	100	100
Amusements	....	8·1	0 5 1	0 5 1	0 5 1	100	100
Charges for grinding	... ...	6·1	0 3 10	0 3 10	0 3 10	100	100
Bedding and household necessaries		5·7	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 3 6	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	100	100

Group	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Index Numbers: July 1945	August 1945
Food	70·9	250·2	248·9
Fuel and Lighting	6·2	225·6	227·1
Clothing	9·1	186·2	171·3
House Rent	2·1	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	11·7	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Numbers...	...	222·1	219·9

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